

RESOLUTION NO. 1418

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF ARTESIA SUPPORTING THE CALFED THREE
PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE TO PROVIDE RELIABLE
WATER SUPPLIES TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROM
THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY SACRAMENTO DELTA.**

WHEREAS, water is the lifeline of California , and;

WHEREAS, California has a diverse economy with many diverse types of water users, each having equally important needs for the state's water, and;

WHEREAS, southern California currently faces a water supply, reliability and delivery problem that threatens its diverse economy, and;

WHEREAS, southern California's water needs will continue to increase significantly in the future as our population continues to grow, and;

WHEREAS, two-thirds of southern California's water supply is dependent on sources outside our region, and;

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Bay-Sacramento Delta is a significant source of this import water supply, and;

WHEREAS, southern California remains heavily dependent on a reliable and safe water supply from this region, it also recognizes the importance of local supplies and has been a leader in the development of demand management and water recycling programs, and;

WHEREAS, a lack of investment in the Bay-Delta system has resulted in the degradation and declining health of estuary and has reduced southern California's water supply quality, and;

WHEREAS, higher state and federal water quality standards are being imposed, and;

WHEREAS, with the reliability of water supplies for California's future at stake, a joint federal and state program (CALFED) was formed to develop a long-term comprehensive plan to restore the ecological health, and improve water management for beneficial uses of the Bay-Delta system, and;

WHEREAS, after three years CALFED has developed and refined through public workshops, technical work groups, an advisory council and an interagency team, three alternatives which are undergoing a programmatic environmental review, and;

WHEREAS, each of these alternatives comprises six common programs: ecosystem restoration; water use efficiency; water quality; improved Delta levees; watershed management; water transfers, and;

WHEREAS, they differ mainly in the amounts of additional water storage capacity and the method of conveying water across the Delta, and;

WHEREAS, CALFED will now be focusing on selecting a preferred program alternative, and;

WHEREAS, this selection will determine the long-term reliability and quality of water available to southern California, and;

WHEREAS, the water resources of the state shall be developed in a manner that protect the natural resources of the state but also supplies the urban and agricultural users with an adequate, reliable and safe water supply in a manner that supports California's economic growth,

and;

WHEREAS, the people of southern California , while having the need to implement ecosystem restoration protects within their own regions, are willing to join all the other people in the state to fund Bay-Delta restoration projects, and;

WHEREAS, Alternative Three appears to provide the greatest range of advantages to all Delta water users, and provides to southern California the water quality and water supply reliability that will help support southern California's economic growth.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Artesia:

- 1) Supports the CALFED six common Program elements, and;
- 2) Agrees to participate in meaningful measures to implement reasonable and cost effective demand management strategies, and;
- 3) To the extent of its authority, and where reasonable and appropriate, support expansion of the use of recycled waters, and;
- 4) Endorses the CALFED Preferred Alternative Three, that will provide a reliable, high quality water supply to southern California and at the same time provide for a comprehensive solution to the ecosystem of the Bay-Delta.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of September, 1998.

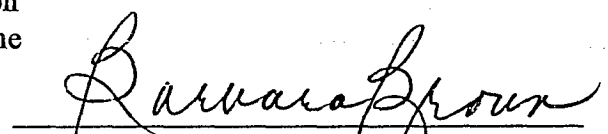

ANTONIO MENDOZA, MAYOR

ATTEST:


BARBARA BROWN, CITY CLERK

I Barbara Brown, City Clerk of the City of Artesia, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was introduced and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Artesia held on the 14th of September, 1998.

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS: Kelemen, Flowers, Menezes and Mendoza
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS: Lyon
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS: None


BARBARA BROWN, CITY CLERK